

**ANDHRA PRADESH LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
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**L.C.Q.No.205(Starred)**

Notice given by  
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**WILL THE MINISTER FOR AGRICULTURE BE PLEASED TO STATE:**

**QUESTION**

- a) Whether it is a fact that Vigilance conducted raids on the unlicensed Mahico Seeds Company during March, 2007 at Kallakal Village in Medak District and seized 1,22,230.016 KG of seeds worth Rs.8.74 crores ;
- b) if so, the action taken on Mahico Seeds Company; and
- c) the measures being taken to supply quality seeds to the farmers by the Private Companies?

**AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION (F.P.II) DEPARTMENT**

**ANSWER**

- a) Yes sir,
- b) 1. The above said seed was seized and also issued show-cause notices to the firm.  
  
2. The firm approached the Hon'ble High Court and the Hon'ble High Court, directed the District Collector, Medak for disposal of seized seed stock under Section 6A of the Essential Commodities Act 1955.
- c) Measures taken to supply quality seeds to the farmers:
  - 1).A network of 480 seed producers and 10471 dealers brought under the fold of Seeds(Control) Order 1983.
  - 2).Further during Rythu Chaitanya Yatras, wide publicity was given at every habitat level to purchase quality seed from the licensed seed dealers duly obtaining the cash/credit receipt.
  - 3).Supplied sampling kits and Bt express kits to the seed inspectors.
  - 4).Constituted special squads at Commissionerate as well as at district level for control of spurious seeds.
  - 5).Established 19 seed testing labs in the state for Diagnostic purposes

**(THE ABOVE ANSWER HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE MINISTER FOR AGRICULTURE)**

**For PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

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